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Annual Report FOR YEAR ENDED

December 31, 1963

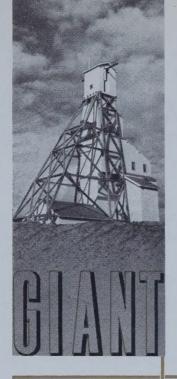


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ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

Thursday, April 16, 1964 at 10:30 a.m. (Toronto Time) Elizabeth Room, King Edward Sheraton Hotel, Toronto, Canada





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REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

To the Shareholders:

Your directors take pleasure in submitting the Annual Report of your Company for the year ended December 31, 1963, which includes the financial statements and Auditors' Report thereon and a report on operations by the Mine Manager.

Your Company had another successful year. The following table summarizes the results of operations compared to those of the preceding year:

	1963	1962
Tons milled	388,190	375,820
Gold ounces produced	245,933	253,189
Gross value of production	\$9,320,394	\$9,512,024
Operating income	\$4,495,237	\$4,701,572
Net income	\$3,988,611	\$4,010,057
Mill heads	0.713	0.763
Overall recovery	87.27%	86.51%
Average price received for gold	\$ 37.76	\$ 37.56
Earnings per share	\$ 0.927	\$ 0.932
Dividends paid per share	\$ 1.00	\$ 0.70

While there was an increase in tons milled, mill heads were down by 0.050 ounces of gold per ton and as a result, the total ounces of gold produced were lower. Gross value of production and net income compare favourably with the previous year; an improvement in the overall recovery and an increased price received for gold were contributing factors.

No provision for income taxes is required as expenditures which were written off in the accounts of one of the predecessor amalgamating companies, may be deducted for income tax purposes. At the current rate of earnings it is expected that some provision for income taxes will have to be made in 1965.

The lower than average grade of the mill heads was in large part due to the mining cycle. As new stoping blocks come into full production it is expected that the grade will improve.

Mine development continued at a normal rate throughout the year. After the year's production, ore reserves were slightly increased at 2,600,000 tons with an average grade of 0.75 ounces gold per ton. An important concentration of ore has been indicated in the northern part of the property between the surface and the 750-foot level. This ore was sufficient to replace a large part of ore mined during the year.

During the prospecting season, field crews were active in the Keewatin District, the Contwoyto Lake and Point Lake areas, Northwest Territories, and in the Carcross area, Yukon Territory. Two interesting properties were acquired north of Point Lake and will be investigated in 1964.

Metallurgical investigation of the ore from the Sudbury property is continuing at the laboratory of Lakefield Research of Canada Limited and the property remains on a care-and-custody basis.

Mr. M. K. Pickard, General Manager, resigned as of July 1, 1963, and your directors wish to record their appreciation for his years of service as Mine Superintendent and as General Manager.

Mr. D. R. DeLaporte was appointed Mine Manager in charge of all Company operations. Your directors also wish to express their appreciation to him and his loyal staff for the excellent conduct of the operations of the Company.

On behalf of the Board,

H. J. FRASER,
President.

Toronto, Ontario, February 13, 1964. g yellowknife mines united

Comparative Statement of Production and Earnings

	Dividends Declared	€\$:	800,000	1,600,000	1,400,000	1,200,000	600,000	1,200,000	1,200,000	1,800,000		860,541	1,936,290	3,012,027	4,302,903	\$19,911,761	
	Net Profit	\$ 167,552	500,681	1,205,890	186,992	1,503,216	1,508,075	983,669	837,562	1,011,072	784,350	1,552,635	1,754,473		837,596	2,393,137	4,010,057	3,988,611	\$23,225,568	
	Income	÷					12,000	4,000		4,000	4,000	85,000	490,000				(30,477)		\$ 568,523	
17	Non- Operating Income	\$ 6,790	5,237	6,334	7,981	4,906	22,793	14,728	71,219	51,901	59,919	51,060	103,858		86,158	160,058	245,321	308,635	\$1,206,898	0.00
	Write-offs and Outside Exploration	\$ 845,465	1,018,886	1,229,283	1,631,556	1,632,533	1,808,594	1,690,938	1,305,198	1,304,011	1,070,897	1,043,148	1,183,330		799,281	1,519,007	967,313	815,261	\$19,864,701	
	Operating Profit Per Ton	\$ 11.85	12.00	16.00	10.92	12.75	11.98	9.29	96.9	7.32	6.22	8.19	9.19		8.56	10.24	12 51	11.58	\$ 10.04	
	Operating Profit before Write-offs	\$ 1,006,227	1,514,330	2,428,839	1,810,567	3,130,843	3,305,876	2,663,879	2,071,541	2,267,182	1,799,328	2,629,723	3,323,945		1,550,719	3,752,086	4,701,572	4,495,237	\$42,451,894	
	Operating Cost Per Ton	\$ 17.28	14.47	13.15	16.03	14.51	13.42	13.65	14.40	13.67	13.39	12.61	12.00		13.96	12.97	12.62	12.26	\$ 13.41	
	Operating	\$ 1,467,133	1,826,453	1,997,073	2,658,570	3,561,546	3,704,451	3,912,978	4,284,385	4,234,517	3,872,120	4,048,047	4,338,972		2,529,960	4,755,387	4,743,728	4,758,936	\$56,694,256	
	Average Price Per Ounce of Gold	\$ 35.00	37.46	37.35	35.79	34.20	34.26	34.16	34.76	33.75	33.85	33.81	33.50		34.63	35.73	37.56	37.76	\$ 35.22	
	Net Value A of Metals Recovered	\$ 1,962,340	2,986,457	4,158,038	3,854,137	6,012,389	6,045,327	5,876,857	6,235,926	6,396,699	5,331,448	6,397,770	7,649,230		4,080,679	8,507,473	9,445,300	9,254,173	\$94,194,243	
	Estimated E.G.M. Assistance	\$ 511,020	354,326	267,874	615,000	680,000	965,000	700,000	120,000	105,000	340,000	280,000	13,687						\$4,951,907	
	Calculated Mill Heads Per Ton	0.815 \$	0.708	0.842	0.755	0.846	0.785	0.761	0.765	0.795	0.795	0.784	0.784		0.795	0.779	0.763	0.713	0.777	
	Tons	84,886	126,214	151,814	165,846	245,559	275,985	286,742	297,582	309,673	289,220	321,002	361,601		181,101	366,515	375,820	388,190	4,227,750	
	Fiscal Year Ended May 31	1949	1950	1951	June 30 1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	June 29 1960	Dec. 31	1960	1961	1962	1963		

AUDITORS' REPORT

> GUNN, ROBERTS AND CO. CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS TORONTO, CANADA

Giant Yellowknife Mines Limited: To the Shareholders of

We have examined the balance sheet of Giant Yellowknife Mines Limited as at December 31, 1963 and the statements of income and retained earnings for the year then ended. Our examination included a general review of the accounting procedures and such tests of accounting records and other supporting evidence as we considered necessary

in the circumstances.

In our opinion the accompanying balance sheet and statements of income and retained earnings present fairly the financial position of the company as at December 31, 1963 and the results of its operations for the year then ended, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

Toronto, Canada February 6, 1964 Gum, Roberts and los.
Chartered Accountants.

(Incorporated under the laws of the Province of Ontario)

ASSETS

CURRENT ASSETS:	19	963	1962
Cash and short term deposits Bullion at net realizable value Short term securities at cost Accounts and accrued interest receivable	906,053 5,664,989		\$ 702,479 1,156,138 5,246,500 117,883
		\$ 7,653,798	7,223,000
FIXED ASSETS:			
Buildings, machinery and equipment (note 1) Less accumulated depreciation	13,028,556 12,082,644		13,096,234
Mining claims and properties at cost	945,912 1,692,345		1,520,992 1,692,345
		2,638,257	3,213,337
OTHER ASSETS:			
Supplies at average cost Prepaid expenses and deposits Shares in subsidiary company at cost Advances to subsidiary company Shares of other mining companies at cost	955,776 129,359 115,005 93,442 297,194		879,273 312,269 115,005 92,142 297,194
		1,590,776	1,695,883
DEFERRED CHARGES:			
Shaft sinking and other development expenditures less amount written off	130,212 114,863		215,778 122,720
		245,075	338,498
		\$12,127,906	\$12,470,718

BALANCE SHEET, DECEMBER 31, 1963 (with comparative figures at December 31, 1962)

LIABILITIES

CURRENT LIABILITIES:	19	963 	1962
Accounts payable and accrued liabilitiesRoyalties payable	\$ 407,731 155,952	\$ 563,683	\$ 427,660 164,543
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY:			
Capital stock:			
Authorized — 4,500,000 shares without par value Issued — 4,303,050 shares Contributed surplus Retained earnings	5,700,000 2,637,276 3,226,947		5,700,000 2,637,276 3,541,239
		11,564,223	11,878,515
NOTES: 1. Buildings, machinery and equipment are stated as follows: Giant plant — cost to Giant Yellowknife Gold Mines Limited to June 27, 1960 with subsequent additions at cost; Sudbury plant — as written down by Consolidated Sudbury Basin Mines Limited as at April 30, 1960 less proceeds from disposals subsequent to that date. 2. Consolidated financial statements have not been prepared as the assets and the operations of the subsidiary company, Lolor Mines Limited, are not material in relation to those of the company. As the subsidiary company is developing its mining claims, its net expenditures have been deferred to future operations and its accounts show neither profit nor loss since incorporation. Approved on behalf of the Board: P. N. PITCHER, Director. B. S. W. BUFFAM, Director.			
		\$12,127,906	\$12,470,718

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STATEMENT OF RETAINED EARNINGS

For the year ended December 31, 1963 (with comparative figures for 1962)

	1963	1962
Balance at beginning of year	\$3,541,239	\$2,543,209
Net income for the year	3,988,611	4,010,057
	7,529,850	6,553,266
Deduct dividends paid — 1963 \$1.00 per share; 1962 70¢ per share	4,302,903	3,012,027
Balance at end of year	\$3,226,947	\$3,541,239

STATEMENT OF SOURCE AND APPLICATION OF FUNDS

For the year ended December 31, 1963 (with comparative figures for 1962)

Funds were obtained as follows:	1963	1962
Net income for the year	\$3,988,611 597,617	\$4,010,057 713,405
Proceeds from disposal of fixed assets Other sources (net)	4,586,228 230,024 112,964	4,723,462 7,329 29,257
	4,929,216	4,760,048
Funds were applied as follows:		
Dividends paid Additions to fixed assets	4,302,903 166,995	3,012,027
	4,469,898	3,149,725
Increase in working capital	\$ 459,318	\$1,610,323
Working capital at beginning of year	\$6,630,797 459,318	\$5,020,474 1,610,323
Working capital at end of year	\$7,090,115	\$6,630,797

STATEMENT OF INCOME

For the year ended December 31, 1963 (with comparative figures for 1962)

METAL PRODUCTION:	190	1962		
Gold and silver Deduct marketing expenses	\$9,320,394 66,221		\$9,512,024 66,724	
		\$9,254,173	9,445,300	
OPERATING EXPENSES:				
Mine operating expenses, other than below Government of Canada royalty Sudbury Division, general and metallurgical expenses Administrative and corporate expenses	4,312,915 155,000 88,694 202,327		4,341,291 125,000 76,328 201,109	
		4,758,936	4,743,728	
Operating income before depreciation and amortization		4,495,237	4,701,572	
Other deductions			20-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-00-0	
DepreciationAmortization of shaft sinking and other deferred development	512,051		618,588	
expenditures	85,566		94,817	
of Lolor Mines Limited	7,822 209,822		56,485 197,423	
		815,261	967,313	
		3,679,976	3,734,259	
Interest earned		308,635	245,321 30,477	
NET INCOME for the year		\$3,988,611	\$4,010,057	
NOTES: 1. No provision for income taxes is required as amounts in respect of development expenditures and buildings, machinery and equipment, which were written off in the accounts of predecessor amalgamating companies, may be deducted from income for income tax purposes. Otherwise, income taxes for 1963 would amount to \$1,190,000 (1962 \$1,200,000) and there would be a reduction in net income of that amount. At December 31, 1963 amounts yet to be deducted for tax purposes, by way of depreciation and other allowances, exceed by \$6,500,000 the net book value of deferred development expenditures and buildings, machinery and equipment. 2. The remuneration of directors, as such, was \$13,830 for 1963 and \$12,132 for 1962.				

REPORT OF THE MINE MANAGER

The President and Directors,
Giant Yellowknife Mines Limited.

Dear Sirs:

The following report reviews the operations of the Yellowknife Division for the fiscal year which ended on December 31, 1963.

PRODUCTION:

	1963	1962
Ore Milled, tons	388,190	375,820
Daily Average, tons	1,064	1,030
Recovery, gold ounces	241,689	248,033
Recovery, silver ounces	25,264	25,504
Calc. Mill heads, ounces per ton	0.713	0.763
Percentage Recovery	87.27	86.51
Recovery from stockpiled residues, gold ounces	4,244	5,156
Total Production, ounces gold	245,933	253,189
ounces silver	25,264	25,504

The lower grade mill feed, experienced throughout 1963, was in part due to the stoping cycle. During the year, a number of old, large, and highly productive stopes were in the clean-up stage, and smaller and more difficult stopes had to supply a greater proportion of the mill feed. In some of the new stoping blocks the ore lenses proved to be more irregular than anticipated, and there was more than normal dilution. It is hoped that this situation can be corrected as these stopes advance. However, it must be recognized that a large proportion of the presently developed ore is in bodies which are structurally more complex than those previously mined.

During the year, continued research on roasting and flotation techniques resulted in further improvements in the recovery of gold, which at 87.27% was an all time high.

MINE DEVELOPMENT - EXPLORATION:

Development work was concentrated in the North Giant and the LAW zones. The latter zone was discovered in 1962 by drilling from the northern extension of the 750-foot level. An important concentration of ore has been indicated in these two zones between surface and the 750-foot level. Ore developed by definition drilling, in this area, was sufficient to replace a large part of the ore mined during the year. There were some additions in the Trough Zone, and in older stoping blocks.

Exploratory surface diamond drilling was carried out along the west side of the property in the central B shaft area and in the A shaft area. In the former, a strong structure carrying narrow and erratic lenses of gold-bearing mineralization was indicated over a strike length of 600 feet. This will be investigated in more detail during 1964. No results of importance were obtained in the A shaft area.

ORE RESERVES:

During the year ore reserves were maintained. The estimate of developed ore, shown in the following table, was calculated with a greater dilution factor than used in previous years.

	Tons	per Ton
Active Stopes	1,114,000	0.79
Pillars	114,000	0.77
Other Developed Ore	1,372,000	0.72
Total Developed Ore	2,600,000	0.75

OPERATING COSTS:

Operating costs during 1963 were \$12.26 per ton milled, compared with \$12.62 in 1962.

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES:

The principal items in the capital program during the year were the automation of the C shaft skip hoist, and the construction of five residences in Yellowknife Townsite. Total expenditures were \$167,000.

OUTSIDE EXPLORATION:

During the 1963 prospecting season, field crews were active in the Keewatin District, the Contwoyto and Point Lake areas, Northwest Territories, and in the Carcross area, Yukon Territory.

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REPORT OF THE MINE MANAGER CONTINUED

A program of diamond drilling was completed on the iron deposits at Mistake Bay, on the west shore of Hudson's Bay, Keewatin District, and a 21-year lease on the property will be obtained in 1964. Magnetometer and electromagnetic surveys were carried out on the nearby Torin Group. These claims will be maintained.

The claim groups in the Contwoyto Lake area, which were staked or optioned in 1962, were prospected during the early part of the season. Nothing of importance was found on them.

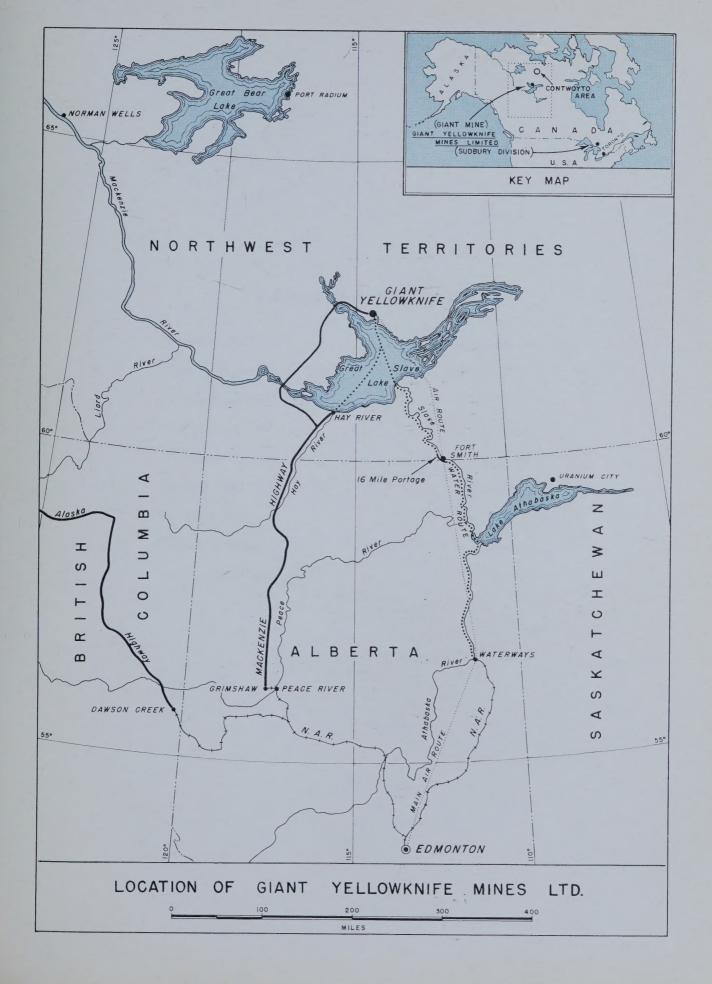
In the latter part of the season, two properties were acquired in the area north of Point Lake. A group of 82 claims was staked to cover two strong gossan zones in which gold-bearing mineralization was discovered. An option was taken on a 38-claim group on which gold-bearing float indicates a zone of possible importance. Diamond drill tests in 1964 are planned for both properties.

A small crew worked in the Carcross area of Yukon Territory. Some interesting silver-lead veins were investigated, but no conclusive results were obtained.

I wish to express my appreciation for the support and assistance of the President, Directors and Consultants and to express my thanks to the staff and general roll employees for their cooperation.

D. R. DeLAPORTE,
Mine Manager.

Yellowknife, N.W.T., February 7, 1964.



MINE OPERATING OFFICIALS

D. R. DeLaport	te	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	- Mine Manager
G. S. Dundas	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Mine Superintendent
G. F. Ekins	-	-	-	ad.	-		-	-	Plant Superintendent
R. J. McLeod	_	-	-	-	-/	-	44	-	Mill Superintendent
E. O. Foster	_	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Metallurgist
R. G. Muscrof	t	-	-	_	2	-	-	-	- Chief Engineer
D. J. Emery	-	-	-		-	-	-	-	- Mine Geologist
H. C. Russell	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	- Chief Accountant
A. T. Rivett	-	_	_	_	-	_	_	_	Personnel Supervisor